DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

Coast Guard

33 CFR Part 165

[Docket No. USCG-2024-0013]

Security Zone; Lower Mississippi River, Mile Marker 94 to 97 Above Head of

Passes, New Orleans, LA

AGENCY: Coast Guard, DHS.

ACTION: Notification of enforcement of regulation.

SUMMARY: The Coast Guard will enforce a security zone for all navigable waters within 400 yards of the Left Descending Bank (LDB) of the Lower Mississippi River (LMR) Mile Marker (MM) 94.4 to MM 95.1, Above Head of Passes (AHP), New Orleans, LA. This security zone is necessary to provide security and protection for visiting personnel during the events related to the Mardi Gras celebration. No person or vessel may enter this security zone unless authorized by the Captain of the Port New Orleans (COTP) or a designated representative.

DATES: The regulations in 33 CFR 165.846 will be enforced from noon on February 10, 2024, until 11:59 p.m. on February 13, 2024.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: If you have questions about this rule, call or email Lieutenant Commander William A. Stewart, Sector New Orleans, U.S. Coast Guard; telephone 504-365-2246, email William.A.Stewart@uscg.mil.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Coast Guard will enforce a security zone in 33 CFR 165.846 for events related to Mardi Gras Celebration from noon on February 10, 2024 until 11:59 p.m. on February 13, 2024. This action is being taken to provide security and protection for visiting personnel during the events related to the Mardi Gras celebration. The security zone will cover all navigable waters within 400 yards of the

Left Descending Bank on the Lower Mississippi River from MM 94.4 to MM 95.1 AHP,

New Orleans, LA. No person or vessel may enter this security zone unless authorized by

the Captain of the Port New Orleans (COTP) or a designated representative. A designated

representative means any Coast Guard commissioned, warrant, or petty officer of the

U.S. Coast Guard assigned to units under the operational control of Sector New Orleans;

to include a Federal, State, and/or local officer designated by or assisting the COTP in the

enforcement of the security zone. To seek permission to enter, contact the COTP or a

designated representative by telephone at (504) 365-2545 or VHF-FM Channel 16 or 67.

Those in the security zone must transit at their slowest speed and comply with all lawful

orders or directions given to them by the COTP or a designated representative.

In addition to this notification of enforcement in the Federal Register, the Coast

Guard will inform the public of the enforcement period of this security zone through

Broadcast Notices to Mariners (BNMs) and Marine Safety Information Bulletin (MSIB).

Dated: January 18, 2024.

K. K. DENNING,

CAPTAIN, U.S. Coast Guard,

Captain of the Port Sector New Orleans.

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